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#### CHINA

### Major Rail Line Construction in South-Central China

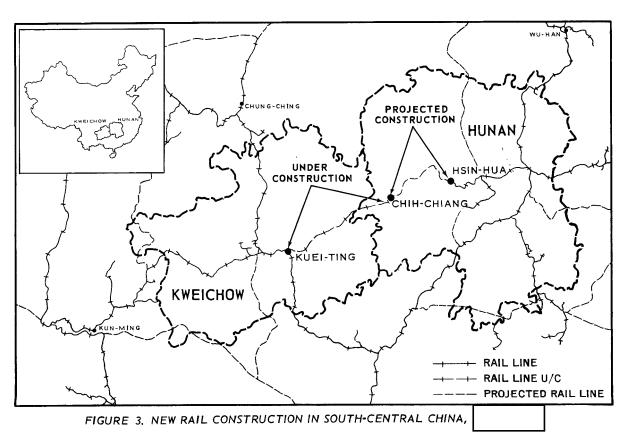
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A new major rail line is under construction in south-central China. On photography of early construction of roadbed and bridge piers extended for at least 170 nm east-northeast from Kuei-ting to the limit of coverage at Chih-chiang (see Figure 3). The line will probably connect with the existing rail system at Hsin-hua. When completed, it will aid in the economic development of portions of Kweichow and Hunan Provinces and shorten the rail distance between south-central and eastern China.

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The first evidence of this new line was observed in Construction had not begun when this area was seen in the late period. A rail line close to this alignment has been projected for many years.

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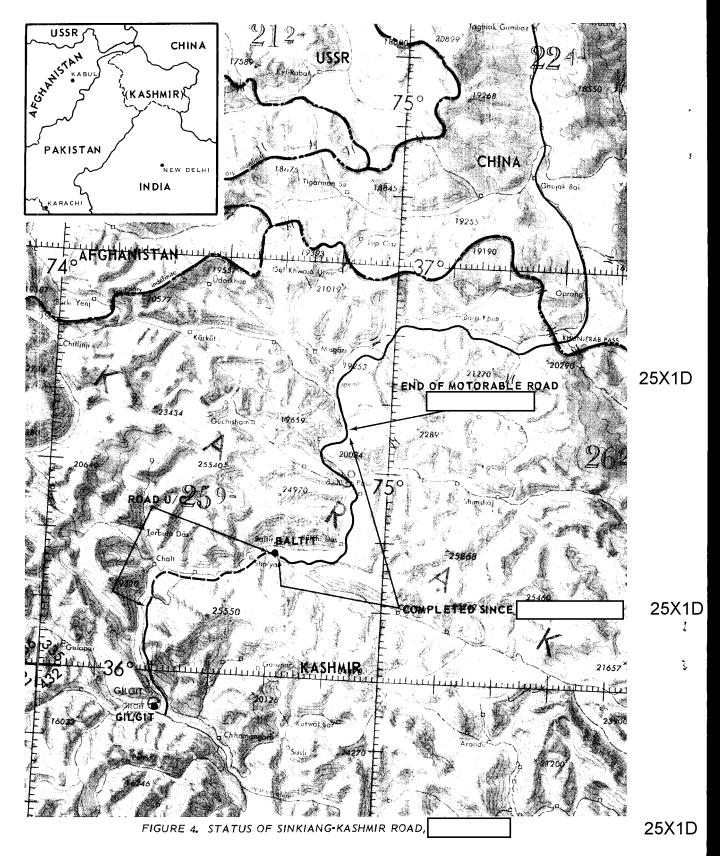


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#### CHINA-PAKISTAN

### Sinkiang-Kashmir Road Construction

Recent photography reveals that construction is active along the
unfinished portions of the Sinkiang-Kashmir Highway, which will be the
first motorable road connecting China and West Pakistan (see Figure 4).
The current pace of construction indicates the road could be open for
vehicular traffic in the fall of This two-lane hard-surface road
runs through passes 14,000 to 16,000 feet high in the Himalayan Mountains

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Between 33 nm of road was completed southward to the vicinity of Baltit. In March work camps were located along the final 25-nm segment of road under construction between Baltit and the completed road extending northward from Gilgit.

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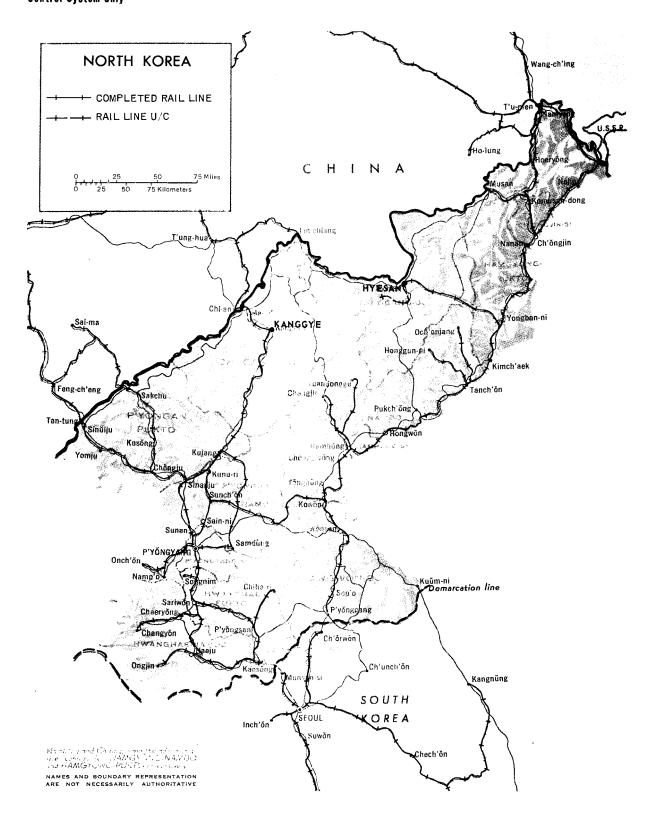


FIGURE 5. NEW RAIL LINE CONSTRUCTION IN NORTH KOREA,

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#### NORTH KOREA

Major New Rail Line Construction in North Korea

The North Koreans have begun construction of a new rail line they have announced will link the northern cities of Kanggye and Hyesan. 25X1D shows that about 20 nm of preliminary rail conphotography of struction has been started southwest from Hyesan since Figure 5). This is the first major new rail construction in North Korea in the past five years. Completion of this line will provide a second rail route between the eastern and western parts of the country.

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